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3 Notice MA-1

ACTION BY: All ASC State Offices

MANPOWER-YEAR-ROUND FARM WORKERS - RETURN OF KOREAN VETERANS

Approved for the Administrator

Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustment

Since the beginning of World war II the retention of trained and experienced year-round workers in agriculture has been extremely difficult. The shift of such workers to non-farm employment and non-return of farm boys after discharge from military duty has caused heavy losses in this segment of the farm work force.

Recent evidence of this continuing loss is contained in a report issued in January 1954 by the USDA, titled, "Employment Redistribution of Korean Veterans". (Copy attached.)

The contents of this report, I am sure, will be of interest to all State ASC Committees because of the importance of the year-round worker to the continuing operation of our farms.

Also attached for your information is a copy of "Farm Information for Veterans", which has been prepared for use by local Employment Offices in advising veterans of the opportunities for and advantages of employment in agriculture.

ASC Committees can also do much in encouraging veterans to return to agriculture and can aid them in getting established on a sound economic basis by guiding them to the help which is available from the many agricultural agencies and services.



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MANPOWER - INFORMATION ON U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR FARM LABOR PROGRAM

Approved for the Administrator

Acting Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustme

Reference is made to Notice MA-2 suggesting that State ASC Committees have at least a general knowledge of the Farm Labor program of the U.S. Department of Labor and its affiliated State Employment Services. Enclosed are copies of materials (1) "Farm Labor Facts - 1954" and (2) "How to Recruit Qualified Farm Workers This Year" which are now being distributed by the Farm Placement Service of the U.S. Department of Labor to State and local Employment Service offices. The general information contained in these materials relating to the 1954 Farm Labor Program should be of interest to State ASC Committee members, especially those in States and areas where large numbers of hired workers must be recruited each year to meet the needs of agricultural employers.

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MANPOWER - INFORMATION ON U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

FARM LABOR PROGRAM

Approved for the Administrator

Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustment

The approach of another growing season is causing farmers in many areas to begin making plans for obtaining labor for the many jobs that must be done during the 1954 crop year. The Department of Labor has likewise been making plans for assisting employers in obtaining labor and workers in securing farm jobs during this period.

To better inform those concerned with farm labor problems of the basic features of its 1954 farm labor program, the March issue of the Employment Security Review of the Department of Labor is devoted primarily to farm labor activities. The number of copies of this issue is limited, therefore, distribution is being made only to State ASC Committee members. We feel that each member of the State ASC Committee should at least have a general knowledge of this program since some hired agricultural workers are employed in one or more areas in every State. To further assure that State Committees have current information with regard to the 1954 farm labor program, it is suggested that arrangements be made for the State Farm Labor Supervisor of the Employment Service to present in more detail plans for meeting State farm labor needs at an early meeting of the State ASC Committee. Likewise, State ASC Committees may wish to suggest to County Committees, especially those in counties using considerable amounts of hired labor, that they make similar arrangements with the Office Manager of the local Employment Service office to discuss farm labor programs being planned to assist farmers in the area in the solution of their farm labor problems.

While State and County ASC Committees are not expected to actively participate in the farm labor recruitment efforts, they can through their day-to-day activities with employers and employer groups contribute to more effective operation of such programs if they understand their basic objectives and procedures. Employers can be appropriately advised as to assistance which is available and where such assistance can be obtained.

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